

## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

I, Richard Pateman declare that I am a citizen of United Kingdom, residing at Peterborough, Great Britain and I, Maciej Bedkowski declare that I am a citizen of United Kingdom, residing at Peterborough, Great Britain, and that we believe we are the original, first, and jointinventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

### COMBINED SHUT-OFF VALVE AND COVER FOR AN ENGINE BREATHER SYSTEM

the specification of which is attached hereto.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims.

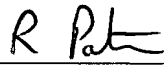
We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by us on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

COUNTRY (OR INDICATE IF PCT)	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (day, month, year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 USC 119
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We acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to be material to patentability as defined in §1.56.

We hereby appoint John J. Cheek, Patent Office Reg. No. 39,628, telephone 44-173-358-4346, J. Wesley Blumenshine, Patent Office Reg. No. 32,399, telephone (309) 675-5537, J. W. Keen, Patent Office Reg. No. 28,432, telephone (309) 675-5753, and Dennis C. Skarvan, Patent Office Reg. No. 35,360, telephone (309) 675-6060, our attorneys and/or agents, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected with this application. Please address all correspondence to: John J. Cheek, Caterpillar Inc., Intellectual Property Department, AB6490, 100 N.E. Adams Street, Peoria, Illinois 61629-6490.

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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